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REQUEST FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 1, 2004, said period of response being extended from July 1, 2004 to August 1, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$110.00 to Deposit Account 500549 to cover the required extension of time fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of

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